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Applicants: Yuti Chernajovsky, et al.
Serial No.: 09/285,531 Group Art Unit: 1646
Filed : April 2, 1999 Examiner: E. O' Hara
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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER'S DECISION
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of the Examiner mailed February 19, 2002 finally rejecting pending claims 1-3, 6, 8, 14-17 and 19-37 in connection with the above-identified application.

Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the February 19, 2002 Office Action. With a three-month extension of time, a response to the February 19, 2002 Office Action is due August 19, 2002. Therefore, the subject application is pending on August 19, 2002 and this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

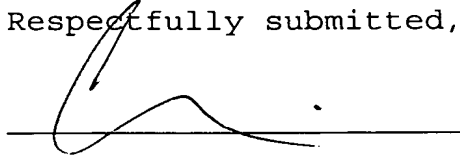
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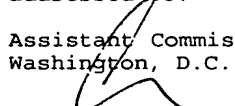
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